Arkansas

Crop Progress and Condition

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Reporting for the week ending June 1, 2008.

General

Rainfall was reported by 34 of 36 weather stations last week with Dardanelle receiving the most at 4.17 inches. Temperatures continued to be above normal as high temperatures ranged from 85 degrees Fahrenheit in Fayetteville and Harrison to 94 degrees Fahrenheit in Stuttgart. Low temperatures ranged from 59 degrees Fahrenheit in three locations to 69 degrees Fahrenheit in Eudora. Topsoil moisture supplies were 1 percent very short, 11 percent short, 73 percent adequate, and 15 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 7 percent short, 80 percent adequate, and 13 percent surplus. The number of days suitable for field work was 5.8.

Crop

Only 1 percent of the corn crop was left to emerge by the end of the week. Cotton farmers, reaching 99 percent planted, stayed above the 5-year average. Cotton emerged, at 87 percent, was only 1 percent behind the 5-year average. Rice farmers planted an additional 6 percent of the crop to reach 96 percent. Rice emergence, at 88 percent, was 11 percent behind 2007 and 9 percent behind the 5-year average. Sorghum producers were 3 percent and 1 percent behind last year and the 5-year average, respectively, with 97 percent of the crop planted. Sorghum emerged, at 91 percent, increased 24 percent last week. Soybean farmers had 53 percent of the crop planted but were 31 percent behind the 2007 crop and 23 percent behind the 5-year average. The soybean crop was 39 percent emerged but was about two weeks behind the 5-year average. The condition of the corn, cotton, rice, and sorghum crops were all at least 57 percent good to excellent, with corn at 71 percent. Farmers applied fertilizer and herbicides to spring row crops last week. Winter wheat producers started harvesting; reaching 6 percent harvested by week's end, but were 14 percent behind last year. Winter wheat was in mostly fair to good condition. Farmers continued to harvest strawberries.

Livestock

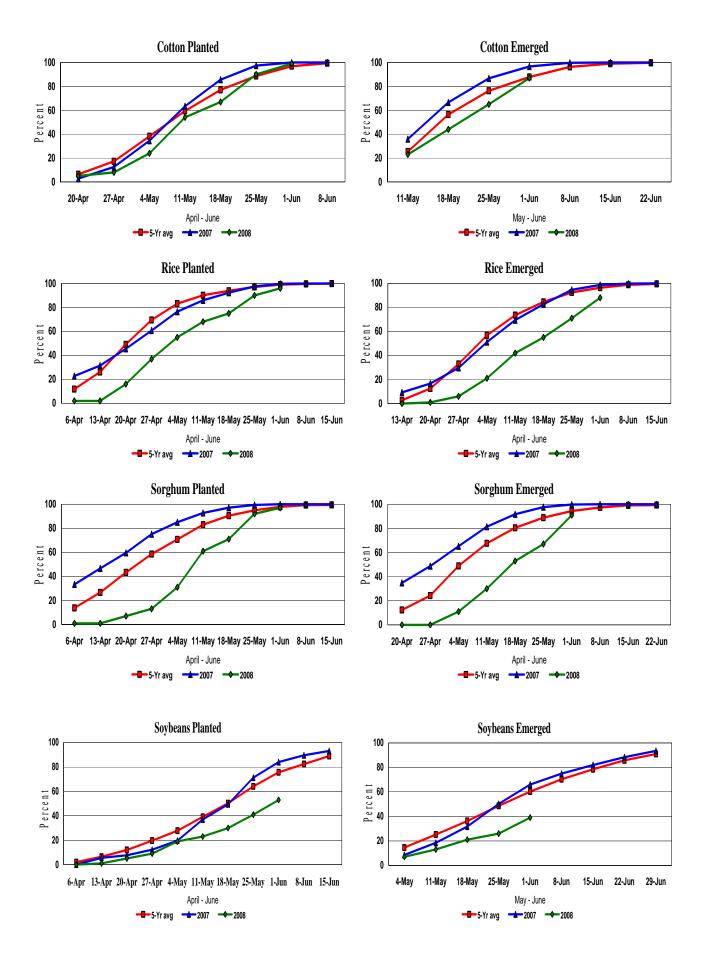
Livestock were in mostly fair to good condition. More than 90 percent of the pasture and range and hay crops were reported in fair to good condition.

Percent of Progress

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Crop	Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	2007	5-Year Avg			
Corn	Emerged	99	96	100	100			
Cotton	Planted	99	90	100	97			
	Emerged	87	65	97	88			
Rice	Planted	96	90	100	99			
	Emerged	88	71	99	97			
Sorghum	Planted	97	92	100	98			
	Emerged	91	67	100	94			
Soybeans	Planted	53	41	84	76			
	Emerged	39	26	66	60			
Winter Wheat	Harvested	6	0	20	9			

Condition in Percentages

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Corn	0	6	23	52	19
Cotton	0	6	34	52	8
Rice	1	4	31	53	11
Sorghum	0	4	39	47	10
Winter Wheat	5	12	37	42	4
Hay-Alfalfa	1	0	22	75	2
Hay-Other	1	2	36	58	3
Pasture and Range	0	1	25	66	8



	Temperatures and Precipitation Week Ending June 1, 2008								
	Temperatures			Rainfall					
				Dep from	Wk Ending	4 wk	4 wk	Year	to Date
District	Station	High	Low	Normal *	June 1	Accum	Normal	2008	Normal
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Northwest	Fayetteville	85	60	4	2.92	5.16	4.64	29.63	18.48
	Harrison	85	59	2	1.10	4.30	4.58	27.94	18.99
N. Central	Calico Rock	86	59	1	1.10	4.21	4.36	36.55	19.99
	Gilbert	87	60	1	1.69	5.26	4.72	43.08	19.39
	Greers Ferry	86	60	2	3.08	5.53	4.47	30.73	22.38
	Mtn. Home	86	61	3	1.00	5.26	4.40	38.08	19.58
Northeast	Batesville	88	60	2	0.05	1.50	4.37	26.90	21.13
	Blytheville	89	60	2	0.18	2.54	4.67	23.18	23.15
	Jonesboro	92	59	3	0.13	3.45	4.37	26.32	21.59
	Keiser	91	60	3	1.81	4.53	5.01	25.61	23.25
	Newport	88	61	1	0.09	1.71	4.24	28.87	21.78
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W. Central		91	62	3	1.24	5.11	5.19	32.72	20.84
	Clarksville	90	64	4	3.92	5.76	4.72	32.94	20.29
	Dardanelle	90	64	3	4.17	6.52	5.16	36.64	21.26
	Ft. Smith	89	65	4	2.98	5.15	4.83	28.87	18.46
	Mena	90	60	4	1.37	5.66	6.01	35.05	24.45
	Ozark	90	64	4	3.08	5.08	4.67	29.57	19.17
Central	Conway	88	63	2	2.97	5.30	4.15	31.22	21.23
	Hot Springs	90	63	2	1.78	4.61	5.80	34.42	25.15
	Little Rock	92	65	3	1.09	4.44	4.49	27.46	22.75
	Morrilton	88	63	2	1.68	2.97	4.76	27.17	21.17
	N. Little Rock	90	63	2	1.38	4.01	4.83	26.51	22.36
E. Central	Brinkley	91	64	4	0.60	3.01	5.10	25.47	23.78
	Marianna	92	65	3	1.22	4.06	4.78	30.29	24.73
	Stuttgart	94	66	3	1.15	4.04	4.56	25.19	23.15
	West Memphis	92	63	3	2.00	4.76	4.54	26.91	24.81
Southwest	DeQueen	89	61	4	0.07	2.93	5.57	21.29	23.88
	Hope	91	66	5	0.70	4.28	4.42	29.26	23.36
	Texarkana	88	65	2	0.82	5.82	3.92	25.03	19.62
S. Central	Camden	92	67	5	0.13	2.89	4.27	18.58	23.63
St Contrai	El Dorado	91	65	3	0.15	4.20	5.01	16.61	24.86
	Warren	90	66	4	0.00	3.06	4.19	22.91	25.78
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Southeast	Eudora	93	69	5	0.65	7.02	4.81	29.92	28.82
	Monticello	91	67	5	0.00	3.49	4.28	20.98	25.93
	Pine Bluff	92	67	3	0.41	2.22	4.42	18.83	23.84
	Rohwer	91	68	5	0.09	2.63	4.28	21.84	24.93

^{*} Departure from normal = $(\underline{\text{high - low}})$ - 30 year average.

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